

Jan 24, 1973 Wed.

Dear Vicki and Jim,

Thank you for calling last night. It is always nice to talk to you. I think I told you that Stella and I had coffee over at Ruthie's new house yesterday morning. The house is in a new area off from 8th kind of near the Glandale Golf course. One item I had not seen before was the plastic bathtubs and the plastic goes three fourths up the wall on the three sides and is all in one piece. It just comes that way. It looks like it would be very easy to clean although she is not supposed to use any abrasives like dutch cleanser. Jack has alot of work to do in the yard and with all the rain we have been having, the yard is wet clay and Ruthie said the children even loose their boots in it.

I talked to Mary today and she said she has never been busier in her life. Every day she hopes to get a letter off to you and since she doesn't have a telephone in her apartment in Olympia she can't call you. She loves hearing about you. She saw Ralph Nader today who was at the Capitol and also Edie Adams who was there to put on some entertainment.

I had fun telling the cousins about the baby and they are all very excited about it. I can't believe it yet and Mary said she couldn't either.

We are going over to Aunt Stella's tonight for a pheasant dinner. Dad just loves that dinner she prepares. Tomorrow I am going to play in the women's pairs at our eastside sectional at the Holiday Inn and Dad and I plan to play in some of the evening games. I am finially getting over feeling out of sorts but just to stay home still sounds better to me. Jayne and Bob are staying here next week-end so I just have to get busy and get things back in order I had better get ready now for Benson's and I will write more later.

Love, Mom.

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Jim, I think it is a great thing you are  
doing checking on the family tree. It is a  
job that sounds too big to tackle. Dad would  
love doing that too on his family in Sweden